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Government Purchase Card (GPC)

General Information

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Welcome to the first quarterly GPC newsletter. The GPC team is looking forward to providing useful information to help all billing officials (BO), alternate billing officials (ABO), and credit card holders (CCH) succeed in controlling Government spending.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

INITIAL GPC TRAINING

PLACE: OUTDOOR RECREATION COMPLEX, BLDG 2429

TIME: 0900 - 1300

When: 2nd Wednesday of each month

Mandatory for all new billing officials, alternate billing officials and credit card holders; must schedule in person with the Program Manager or one of the Agency/Organization Program Coordinators.

REFRESHER GPC TRAINING

PLACE: DOC

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BLDG 1220, 3RD FLOOR, RM# 313

TIME: 0900 - 1000

When: Every Wednesday except 2nd of each month

Mandatory for all billing officials, alternate billing officials, and credit card holders that have not had any training in 2006.

Schedule with Linda Ott at 526-6604 or via e-mail:

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What is a Split Purchase?

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Next issue will address using the GPC for training.

Contact an A/OPC for questions about training.

QUESTION: Please provide a good definition of a split purchase.

ANSWER: Splitting is the "*intentional*" breaking down of a known requirement to stay below the \$2,500.00 cardholders single purchase limit.

Examples of Split Purchases or Split Requirements include the following:

- A single Cardholder making multiple purchases from the same merchant on the same day, the total of which exceeds the single purchase limit and the total requirement was known at the time of the first purchase.
- A single Cardholder purchasing the same/similar item(s) from multiple merchants on the same day, the total of which exceeds the single purchase limit and the total was known at the time of the first purchase.
- A single Cardholder making multiple purchases of similar items from the same or multiple merchants over a period of time when the total requirement was known at time of the first purchase and the value exceeds the single purchase limit.
- Multiple cardholders under the same supervision/billing official purchasing the same/similar item(s) the same day or in a compressed timeframe when the total requirement is known at a given time and exceeds the single purchase limit.



Question: What if someone purchases an item and obligates the Government's money; can I use the GPC to pay for the item?

Answer: NO!! Remember, the GPC is a purchase card, not a payment card. If someone obligated the Government's money without proper authority, that is an unauthorized commitment and is illegal.

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Thank You!

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This the first issue of the quarterly GPC Newsletter. Please let us know what topics about the Government Credit Card program you would like us to address. Remember, if you have a question, chances are that others have that same question.

